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1.	Sami	Mehsana	500
2.	Dhanara	Banaskantha	500
3.	Tharad	Banskantha	500
4.	Radhanpur	Banaskantha	500
5.	Songadh	Surat	500
6.	Sagbara	Bharuch	500
7.	Gadhada	Bhavnagar	500
8.	Rajula	Amreli	500

(b) No proposal of State Government is pending with Central Government.

(c) Does not arise.

Investigations into Irregularities in SAIL

1764. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have asked CBI to look into allegations of irregularities levelled against the S commercial alliances between 19 1994;

(b) if so, the details of commercial alliances held by SAIL between 1992 and 1994;

(c) whether Government propose to investigate and take action against the involved officials of SAIL who conducted irregularities in the allotment of steel to various traders; and

(d) if so, the facts and details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL & MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA): (a) to (d) Allegations of irregularities, as and when received, are inquired into and action taken on merits. Ministry of Steel has not asked for any CBI enquiry; there is no specific scheme known as commercial alliance under which SAIL supplies materials to its customers. SAIL has in fact various schemes in vogue under which it supplies materials to its customers. All the eligible customers under the various schemes are allowed to book the materials uniformly without any discrimination. The schemes which SAIL operated during the year 1992-93 to 1994-95 under the extant guidelines are as under:—

Year	Schemes
1992-93	— Demand Registration scheme
	— Annual Booking scheme
	— Long Term Booking scheme
	— Quarterly Booking scheme
1993-94	— Annual Booking scheme
	— Long Term Booking scheme
	— Quarterly Booking scheme
	— Memorandum of Understanding scheme
	— Continuous Booking scheme
1994-95	— Memorandum of Understanding scheme
	— Annual Booking scheme
	— Quarterly Booking scheme
	— Continuous Booking scheme

Decline in Export of Agricultural Products from Orissa

1765. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a steep decline in the export of agricultural products in Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps taken to increase the export of agricultural products; and

(d) the details thereof?